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Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—" Not even an estimate for Rs. 2,550."

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—" No, Sir."

Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—" When you collect revenue from lands, is it not your duty to find money for giving them the necessary protection?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—" We cannot do it now."

Resolutions passed by the Sethiatope Mirasidars' Association and the Chidambaram Taluk Mirasidars' Association.

* 473 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a copy of the resolutions passed by the Sethiatope Ancient Mirasidars' Association held on 26th August 1931 and of the Chidambaram Taluk Mirasidars' Association on 26th September 1931; and

(*b*) if so, what action the Government have taken or propose to take with reference to the said resolutions and representations of the mirasidars to redress their grievances?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Associations have been informed that the Government will receive a deputation from the Associations.

Report from the Chief Engineer on special duty, Vellar Investigating Party.

* 474 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether a copy of G.O. No. 944 I., dated 1st September 1906, will be placed on the table and also a copy of the appendices referred to in the report No. 377, dated 12th April 1905, from the Chief Engineer on special duty, Vellar Investigating Party, to the Chief Engineer, Madras, and particularly referred to but not printed in the said Government Order, viz., No. 944 I., dated 1st September 1906?

A.—The Government see no reason to place the report on the table.

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED:—" May I know whether this Government Order and the report, etc., referred to therein come under the Official Secrets Act and so cannot be placed on the table of the House?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—" That is not the reason for not placing them on the table of the House."

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED:—" May I know then the reason why this Government Order and the connected papers could not be placed on the table of the House?"